

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services - MA&UD Department - Allegations leveled against Sri S.Govinda Swamy, the then Municipal Commissioner (Retired), Srikakulam Municipal Corporation for his action in canceling the tender of lower tenderer and continuing with the existing contractor at higher prices and thereby violated the rules and regulations - Departmental proceedings initiated - Enquiry conducted - Charges held 'not proved' - Further action dropped - Orders - Issued.

MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (Vig.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.294

Dated:24.06.2021.
Read the following:-

- 1) From the Director General, G.A. (V&E) Department, Vigilance Report No.40, dated.19.04.2010.
- 2) G.O.Rt.No.1487, MA&UD (E1) Department, dated.12.11.2012.
- 3) Served copy of Articles of Charges served on Sri S.Govinda Swamy, the then Municipal Commissioner received through letter Roc.No.10757/2010-E1, dated.20.12.2013 of the C&DMA., A.P., Hyderabad.
- 4) G.O.Rt.Nos.516 & 517, MA&UD (Vig.I) Department, dated.17.05.2018.
- 5) Inquiry Report from Inquiry Officer Sri K.Ramesh, former RDMA., Visakhapatnam and present Commissioner, Kakinada Municipal Corporation, Letter Rc.No.173/18-C, dated.22.03.2019 & 12.12.2019.

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ORDER:

Whereas, it has been brought to the notice of the Government by the Director General, G.A. (V&E) Department that, the Vigilance & Enforcement Department have conducted an enquiry into the allegations of irregularities in allotment of tenders of "Operational" and overall maintenance of Residual Chlorine for Srikakulam Town and found irregularities. In the reference 1st read above, the G.A. (V&E) Department submitted a report and recommended to initiate disciplinary action against Sri S.Govinda Swamy, the then Municipal Commissioner, Srikakulam Municipality for his action in canceling the tender of lower tenderer (even though they have satisfied the qualification criteria) and continuing with the existing contractor at higher prices and thereby violated the rules and regulations.

2. Whereas, in the reference 2nd read above, Government initiated disciplinary proceedings duly framing the articles of charges against Sri S.Govinda Swamy, the then Municipal Commissioner, Srikakulam Municipality and directed him to submit his written statement of defence thereon.

3. Whereas, Government after following due procedure, issued orders, vide G.O. 4th read above, appointing Sri K.Ramesh, Regional Director cum Appellate Commissioner of Municipal Administration, Visakhapatnam as an Inquiry Officer to enquire into the charges framed against the charged officer Sri S.Govinda Swamy, the then Municipal Commissioner.

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4. Whereas, in the reference 5th read above, Sri K.Ramesh, Regional Director cum Appellate Commissioner of Municipal Administration & Inquiry Officer, Visakhapatnam has submitted his enquiry report stating that, all the three charges framed against Sri S.Govinda Swamy, the then Municipal Corporation were held 'not proved' in the enquiry.

5. Government have examined the matter duly following due procedure and keeping in view of the findings given by the Inquiry Officer and his justification report and decided to drop further action against him in the matter.

6. Accordingly, Government hereby order to drop further action against Sri S.Govinda Swamy, the then Municipal Commissioner (now retired), Srikakulam Municipal Corporation, since the charges framed against him were held 'not proved' in the enquiry.

7. The Commissioner & Director of Municipal Administration, A.P., Guntur shall take further necessary action in the matter, accordingly.

8. The receipt of the G.O., shall be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

**Y.SRILAKSHMI
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To

Sri S.Govinda Swamy, the then Municipal Commissioner (now retired),
Srikakulam Municipal Corporation - **through** the C&DMA, A.P., Guntur.
The Commissioner & Director of Municipal Administration, A.P., Guntur.

Copy to:

The Director General, G.A. (V&E) Department, A.P., Vijayawada.
The Secretary to A.P. Vigilance Commission, A.P. Secretariat, Velagapudi.
The Commissioner, Srikakulam Municipal Corporation, Srikakulam District.
The Principal Accountant General (A&G), A.P., Vijayawada.
SF / SCs.

// FORWARDED BY ORDER //

SECTION OFFICER.